

**NO MIRAGE:** No, it isn't a mirage; it isn't a new and bigger mobile home; and it isn't someone who thinks he's found a novel answer to Southwestern Michigan's

high residential land prices. It's a house being moved two miles from one side of I-94 to the other via the Washington avenue overpass south of St. Joseph. Lester

Jones, Benton Harbor house mover, shifted the three-bedroom bungalow from Circle drive to Venus street in only two and a half hours on the road. House was moved

to provide right-of-way for future I-94 penetrator into downtown St. Joseph. (Herrmann Studios photo)

## 'Stolen' Aid Checks Endorsed By Recipients

# Handwriting Analyst Nips Welfare Cheaters

A handwriting analyst has joined the crackdown on welfare fraud in Michigan, according to State Sen. Charles O. Zollar (R-Benton Harbor).

Zollar said the handwriting expert employed by the State Department of Social Services examines endorsements on welfare checks that were cashed after allegedly being lost or stolen. He can determine if a check was cashed by the recipient through comparison of handwriting.

Zollar explained "in many instances recipients of welfare

benefits sign and cash their monthly checks and then report them stolen. In that way, they are able to apply for a second check."

Zollar, chairman of the Senate Appropriations committee, was instrumental in setting up the program. He said analysis of handwriting has saved thousands of dollars in the short time the program has been operating and could conceivably save up to \$400,000 a year.

He cited statistics released last week by the Department of

Social Services. Of the first 165 suspected documents examined by the analyst, 131 were signed by persons who claimed not to have signed them.

"In a mere two and a half weeks, we saved about \$16,000 as a result of the analyst's efforts. I'd say that's a substantial savings," said Zollar.

The handwriting analyst or graphologist is Wallace VanStraat, a former state police officer.

"We are very fortunate to have him," said R. Bernard

Houston, director of the State Department of Social Services. Houston explained that VanStraat is one of a very few persons qualified as an expert witness in handwriting.

It is now possible for the department to determine if a claim of lost stolen is legitimate before a supplementary check is issued. VanStraat's employment hastens the process of verifying signatures on checks.

Houston said where fraud is found, a supplementary check is not issued and the case is turned over to a prosecutor.

# DeMaso Sees Big Spending, Big Taxes If 'C,' 'D' Pass

BY RALPH LUTZ  
Staff Writer

Republican State Sen. Harry A. DeMaso of Battle Creek told nearly 300 Twin Cities area service club members Monday that if Michigan voters approve two taxation proposals at the general election Nov. 7, one result could be a graduated personal income tax up to 17 1/2 per cent.

DeMaso, chairman of the Senate taxation and veterans affairs committee, said final results would depend on action by the legislature. He predicted that this body will go after everything it can, urging men to keep hands in pockets, women to hang onto purses, and all to buy as many lottery tickets as possible to help balance the state's budget.

The topics were Proposal C and Proposal D. Proposal C would limit to 26 mills the property tax for school, county and township purposes and provide that the legislature would establish a state tax program for school financing. The proposal would ban a property tax for general school operation purposes.

Proposal D would remove the constitutional ban against a graduated income tax. It would enable the legislature to impose a flat rate or graduated income tax and to enact laws to permit local units to levy flat rate or graduated income taxes.

DeMaso termed Proposal D the opening of a Pandora's box,

because the legislature could enact laws to allow school districts, townships and authorities, to levy income taxes. Besides the state, only cities may now levy an income tax, a flat rate tax under current law.

Commenting on Proposal C, DeMaso said the 26-mill limit is misleading, because the issue

would permit unlimited bonding elections and does not correct what he termed inequities in raising property assessments.

DeMaso said the projected \$618 million to \$638 million reduction in property taxes would have to be made up, and he said the present 3.9 per cent income tax on personal income

would shoot at once to at least 6.2 per cent, under the flat rate formula.

The senator's projected figures soared to greater heights when he discussed what school officials and some legislators term better and equal education opportunities.

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**SCAVENGER:** Alewife makes a tasty meal for young red squirrel that spotted fish on Lake Michigan shoreline at Grand Mere, then carried it to safety of beach grass and proceeded to devour fish. (Photo by Mrs. William (Gwen) Hollman)

# Proposal 'C' Gaining Support, Poll Shows

DETROIT (AP) — Popular support is snowballing behind a proposal to change Michigan's

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school tax base, though the question of allowing a graduated state income tax remains enigmatic, according to a Detroit News poll released today.

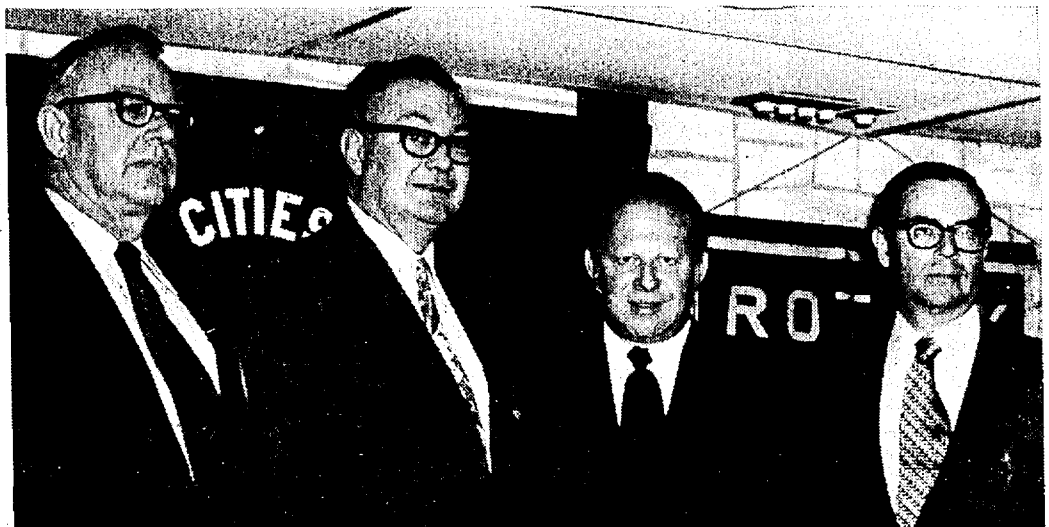
As of Oct. 11, some 65 per cent of 803 voters surveyed by a professional polling agency favored ballot Proposal C limiting local property taxes and mandating legislative action on alternative school financing. Twenty-nine per cent opposed the measure; six per cent were undecided.

Proposal D to remove the constitutional ban against a graduated state income tax met opposition from 51 per cent of voters surveyed. Forty-one per cent favored the measure, while eight per cent were undecided.

On Sept. 21, 49 per cent of the sample opposed the measure, while it found favor with 39 per cent and 12 per cent were undecided.

On Sept. 1, 41 per cent opposed Proposal D, 48 per cent favored it and 11 per cent were undecided.

The pollsters noted in the Sept. 1 poll the ballot proposals' exact wording was undetermined and that, in part, accounts for statistical reversals between Sept. 1 and 21.



**TAX ISSUES ATTACKED:** Republican State Sen. Harry DeMaso, Battle Creek (third from left) joins Twin Cities service club officials after attacking taxation proposals to be voted on Nov. 7. From left are, Robert Crawford, Twin Cities Rotary club chairman of the day; Charles Field, Rotary club president; DeMaso; and Atty. Lester Page, chairman of Twin

Cities Area Chamber of Commerce education committee which sponsored senator's appearance. Talk was at Rotary club meeting Monday at Benton Harbor Ramada Inn, with members of various clubs as guests. DeMaso is among few to openly criticize Proposals C and D. (Staff photo)

# Raccoon Bites Rescuer In SJ

BY SCOTT WILLIAMSON  
Staff Writer

A St. Joseph youth said he saw a raccoon that appeared to be frightened and endangered by traffic on a busy street yesterday, so he decided to carry the critter to safety.

The raccoon bit him on the finger for his ef-

forts.

St. Joseph police identified the humanitarian as Charles W. Imbler, 17, of 2708 Lake Shore drive. Imbler said he saw the raccoon at 5:10 p.m. near the railroad overpass near Lake Shore, and sat down next to the animal and talked to him to calm him down.

As he was carrying the raccoon to a nearby

woods, the raccoon bit him, then scurried up a pine tree, according to police.

Imbler indicated he would see a doctor about his wound. The raccoon remained in the tree.

Health authorities warn that raccoons are susceptible to rabies and that handling the animals can pose a double danger.

# THE HERALD-PRESS

## Editorial Page

W. J. Banyon, Editor and Publisher  
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### Congress, Not Controls, Can Slow Inflation

The slowdown in inflation has led many to assume that wage and price controls have been a success. Such an assumption is dangerous in the extreme because, as *The Wall Street Journal* expresses it, "Telling a politician he can stop inflation by passing a law is like turning a child loose in a candy store. He will spend and spend to pass out political goodies."

A number of observers have pointed out that the rate of price increases, as tabulated by the Consumer Price Index, registered a downtrend that started in January, 1970, some 18 months before controls were instituted. One economic authority has said, "My reading of the record since last August (1971) leads me to conclude that there is little support for the proposition that the rate of inflation

has been reduced considerably from what it would have been in the absence of the (control) program."

The truth seems to be that conditions during the past year or so have created the illusion that controls can actually stem inflation. However, again in the words of *The Wall Street Journal*, "As we have been stressing from the first day of controls, the economy will react to the underlying fundamentals, not to any collection of commissions and boards in Washington. Unless the fundamentals are right, controls cannot work. If the fundamentals are right, no controls are needed." If Congress continues along the path of endless deficit spending, there will be more inflation, with or without controls.

### Crusade Against 'Too' Will Be Marked Oct. 24

Tuesday, Oct. 24, is the day that follows Veterans Day, but it has an identity all its own. Anthony Enterprises of Chicago has dedicated the day to a Crusade Against Too, the object of which is to cry out against "too much or too little of anything in our personal lives." What better time for such an observance than the latter stage of an election campaign, when the universal complaint is that politicians promise too much and deliver too little?

"Too," in its secondary meaning of "to such a degree as to be regrettable," is a word that is used too much, as is its cousin "very." Both words sap the vitality from the adjectives or adverbs to which they are joined. The same objection applies to such superlatives as "greatest," "best," "fastest," and "most." Second best is no longer considered good enough. New York's Empire State Building, the world's tallest skyscraper for more than three

decades, soon will drop to third in the height sweepstakes. Instead of accepting the demolition gracefully, the structure's owners are thinking about adding 11 stories to restore the Empire State to first place. And they are doing so at a time when Manhattan has too much vacant office space and people in many cities are complaining that buildings already are too high.

Yes, "too" is a worthy target for a crusade. Let moderation rule! Certainly, presidential candidates who stray too far from the golden political mean do so at their peril. Barry Goldwater, the 1964 Republican nominee, alienated many when he said in his acceptance speech that "extremism in the defense of liberty is no vice" and "moderation in the pursuit of justice is no virtue." The Sixties were a decade of too much of many things, and now, perhaps, people are ready to embrace blandness.

### Reversion To Tribalism Hurts American Politics

American politics is undergoing something akin to a reversion to tribalism. Voters are being split into ethnic, religious, cultural and economic blocs in a manner which suggests that something quite profound is shaking the political system.

It's as if the American voter can no longer find comfort except in the narrowest kind of group identification. In his alienation, his instincts call him to a retreat into the mental provincialism—and safety—of a special interest based on self-protection.

Tribalism has its virtues. National unity and purpose are not among them. Black Africa has never been able to overcome the divisive elements of tribalism and form strong nation-states.

The political parties bear much of the responsibility. Their reliance on computer campaigning leads to fragmentation of the electorate into special interest groups centered in particular key states or cities. National candidates go into each area with speeches that read as if they had been written for a county council race. If there is any larger vision, it rarely is apparent.

Demographic politics also puts a severe strain on the theory that "we're all Americans." Eunice Kennedy Shriver told a political rally in East Baltimore

recently that because she came from a proud Irish family she understood how proud the Poles were of their heritage. Most of the crowd was sporting "Polish for Nixon" buttons. Vice President Agnew uses his Greek heritage to telling effect as he campaigns around the nation.

The ethnic factor in politics is no new thing. The ballot box has long been an important avenue to power among immigrant groups. Yet there is something ludicrous—and scary—about appealing to a third or fourth generation American on the basis of his national origin. Louis L. Gerson warned in a book, *The Hyphenate in Politics and Diplomacy* (1964): "In the continual catering to the ethnic vote by the political parties there is much that is primitive, irrational and increasingly foreboding."

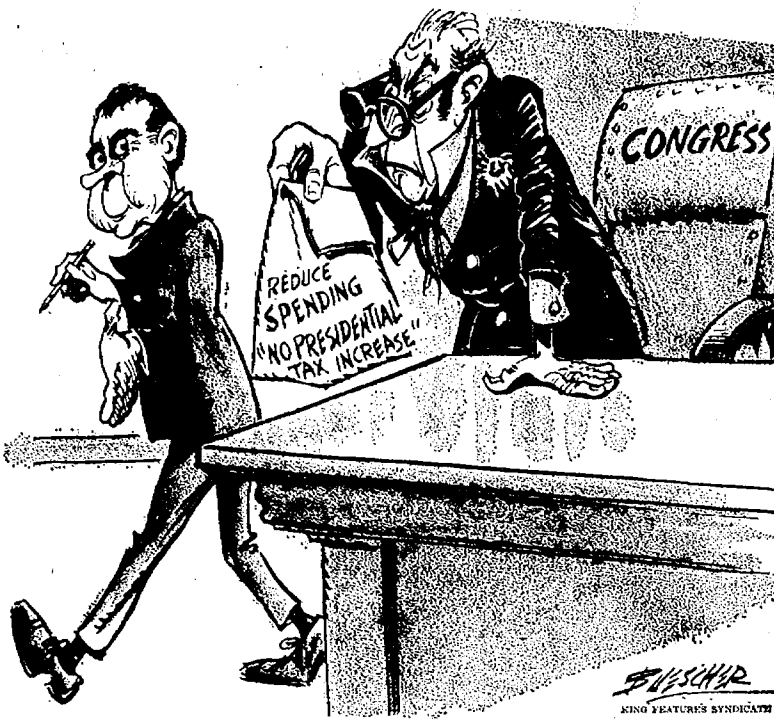
We are all fellow immigrants—as President Roosevelt once reminded a D.A.R. convention. But an observer from afar might well conclude that the majority of Americans just got off the boat. And local boosterism is at a peak.

The trouble with ward-heeler politics, of course, is that the voter expects special treatment in return for his vote. No President will be in a position to increase trash collections or find a place for cousin Timothy on the fire department.

After the parochial and pinched appeals of 1972, the victor will face a formidable task to restore the sense of consensus and participation that is the sine qua non of democracy. Walter Lippmann once wrote that, "Unless all the citizens of a state are forced by circumstances to compromise, unless they feel that they can affect policy but that no one can wholly dominate it, unless by habit and necessity they have to give and take, freedom cannot be maintained."

An effective opposition is indispensable to the operation of the democratic system. Tribal politics, on the other hand, seeks vindication and even revenge. The deeper implications of this election campaign are disturbing. Absolutism is replacing toleration as the theme sung by politicians who would rather play to public nostalgia and fears than address themselves to the hard issues that will be the unavoidable business of government once the polls close.

### All Yours



### GLANCING BACKWARDS

#### LAKER QUEEN

—1 Year Ago—

Pam Pelkey was crowned as homecoming queen at Lake Michigan Catholic high school. Miss Pelkey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Pelkey, 2124 Ogden avenue, Fairplain, is captain of varsity cheerleaders and a member of the National Honor Society. Senior halfback Gary Elter was named homecoming king. Seniors' Rose's Ark won first place in flat contest, giving class a sweep for every year in high school.

#### DRAMATIC PHOTO WINS AGAIN

—10 Years Ago—  
A News-Palladium staffer

#### SHATTER LINES IN ITALY

—21 Years Ago—  
Allied armies captured four major defense towns in

has captured second prize in a photographic contest which drew more than 2,000 entries from newspapers in the Midwest.

Ray Dangel's photo of a large carp surging out of a lake near Grand Junction to take a piece of bread from the mouth of Jim Backus had earlier won second prize honors in the Michigan newspaper's feature division. Dangel, now serving as co-editor of the N-P's Women section, snapped the dramatic photo during the summer of 1961.

southern Italy in advances up to six miles and surged on toward Rome today through the crumbling Nazi lines north of the Volturno and Calore rivers and in the mountainous central spine.

The American Fifth army seized Ciazzo, a hard core of German resistance a mile north of the bridged Volturno, and Amorosi, north of the Calore and just east of its junction with the Volturno.

#### LEADING ROLE

—39 Years Ago—

Forrest Baldwin, son of the O. A. D. Baldwin of Bridgman, has been selected for a leading role in "The Importance of Being Earnest," which is to be produced by the Twin City Theater Guild.

#### ANNIVERSARY PARTY

—49 Years Ago—

In honor of the 15th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bartz of Lincoln township, the Wide Awake class of the Baptist church gave the couple a surprise party at their home. The group met first in the home of Mrs. Clare Quade on State street and went to the Bartz home in a body.

#### WANT HOME

—59 Years Ago—

A movement fathered by the A. W. Chapman post, G.A.R., has been launched for erection of a soldiers' memorial home in St. Joseph. Funds are being solicited and there is excellent prospects for success of the project.

#### PLAN ENLARGEMENT

—81 Years Ago—

H. E. Bucklin writes from Chicago that the improvements being made at the Whitcomb hotel are only the beginning of an extensive program. He plans to make the Whitcomb one of the state's leading hostleries.

We were supposed to be saving the Vietnamese from Chinese or Russian takeover, both Communist Countries in which our President has established most cordial relations. Why is Communism so bad in Vietnam that we must destroy the people and ruin their lands while we have friendly trade with China and Russia?

All this is surest nonsense and a cynical hoax of the American people in order to save face for a handful of bureaucrats and a President who has engaged in some dictatorial processes himself.

If the war should end tomorrow and if (all this rumor mongering and flying back and forth by adviser Henry Kissinger is not mere political exercise,) if the war should end next week or on Nov. 6, it will still be the Number one issue of the campaign. All the other "issues" will become the province of the legislatures, the Congress, the courts, maybe even of the Supreme Court, as they should. But remember, only a President has authority over conduct of war. Only he can end it. Your vote and your contribution to the candidacy of Senator McGovern is all that will assure that this war does not drag on for an interminable time.

Dorothy Warriner Coloma.

### Ray Cromley

### Did Soviet Back Anti-Mao Plot?



WASHINGTON (NEA) — A series of intriguing questions is raised by the anti-Mao Tse-tung document Mao himself is now circulating throughout China:

— Was the Soviet Union prepared to give active aid and support to a group of high ranking Communist civilians and military men seeking to overthrow Mao?

— Specifically, was Moscow prepared to use its military forces to so occupy Mao's armies and air force units he would not have the ability to put down an armed rebellion by his opponents?

— Was the Soviet Union prepared to give those who planned to rebel against Mao's a "temporary nuclear protection umbrella?"

These implied acts of Soviet cooperation with the rebels were specifically spelled out in the document reportedly written by Lin Li-kuo, son and ally of Lin Piao, Mao Tse-tung's "heir" until deposed last year, allegedly after this "secret" document was discovered.

What is not clear is whether the Russians actually promised this cooperation or whether the plotters only hoped they would give it. The document talks of secret negotiations with Moscow and lists the Russian forms of cooperation.

But does the document mean Moscow "would" or that Moscow "could." That is the question.

If this Soviet cooperation had

indeed been promised, or if Mao, in fact, was afraid that it would be forthcoming, he in truth had compelling reasons for seeking some sort of relationship with President Nixon and the United States.

For if there was this plot in which some of China's top military and political chiefs were involved, and if they did have the promised cooperation of the U.S.S.R. then Mao last year faced (and perhaps still faces) a much more serious threat than a border war with Russia or a Russian preemptive strike to knock out China's growing military nuclear industry.

There is reason to believe that a united China could live through a war with the Soviet Union, and that Mao could survive such a war. But if, during that war, he faced a civil war led by some of his ablest and most experienced associates, then Mao would most certainly go down to defeat before this combined onslaught from without and within.

What makes this scenario the more intriguing is that Mao may have inserted these Soviet lines into the document in order to unify his people against the Russians and to reduce the opposition, strong in some Chinese circles, to association with the United States.

Perhaps long-time friend Lin Piao was merely the scapegoat Mao required for his shifting policies.

### Jeffrey Hart

### New Direction In Second Term



The word around the White House these days is that the Nixon Administration is preparing to turn its attention to domestic matters during its second term.

And it's about time. The contrast could not be greater between President Nixon's handling of foreign policy, with its sense of professionalism and long-range goals, and the hodge-podge play-it-by-ear performance at home.

The contrast is epitomized by the difference between Henry Kissinger, the foreign policy man, and his domestic counterpart, John Ehrlichman. Kissinger is a profound student of international relations, and a much admired scholar. Though he is far from infallible, his grasp is firm. Ehrlichman is likable enough, but no Kissinger. He prepared for his current lofty post by working as a Seattle real-estate lawyer and as an advance man in Nixon campaigns.

The results show it. The Nixon domestic program has been largely an inadvertence.

All of the Republicans' recent horror over the notion of quotas should not obscure the fact that quotas actually have become an issue in our national life during the Nixon

Administration.

No doubt a leftist Democrat like George McGovern would have imposed quotas with enthusiasm and glee. And no doubt, Nixon himself and most Republicans dislike the idea. But there they are.

It has been Stanley Pottinger, a Nixon appointee, and the director of the Office of Civil Rights over at HEW, who has been imposing quotas on, for example, colleges and universities — though instead of the dread word "quota" his office talks of Affirmative Action, Guidelines, and other such terms.

Justice and equality used to mean absence of racial and religious discrimination. But, amazingly enough, it is under the Nixon Administration that we have seen their meaning elide into the notion of Fair Shares, or some other euphemism for proportional representation. Just how far this has gone is not generally realized.

A letter in the May issue of "Commentary" reports that when the chairman of a graduate department of religion in an Ivy League university said that a knowledge of Greek and Hebrew was a prerequisite to admission, HEW representatives told him to "end those old-fashioned programs and start programs on relevant things which minority group students can study without learning languages."

And the institution that runs afoul of Pottinger's guidelines risks losing its Federal support and Federal contracts.

There is not much doubt that Richard Nixon would be horrified by all this. But there it is, in his Administration. He has been doing domestically.

Another example. The Nixon Administration now apparently recognizes the folly of its so-called Family Assistance Plan, and thus sat on its hands while the Senate scrapped it. But for two years this vast expansion of welfare was the Administration's number-one domestic priority.

**TERRORISTS KILLING BANGKOK (AP)** — Terrorists killed 15 border policemen and militiamen over the weekend in two raids against government posts 350 northeast of Bangkok.

### BERRY'S WORLD



"On the other hand, it could be McGovern or Shriver trying to get more free TV exposure."

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## SJ Ordinance Limits Home Business Ads

St. Joseph city commissioners last night adopted an ordinance requiring persons advertising businesses in their homes to obtain a permit from the city planning commission.

The amendment specifies that no person shall advertise any home occupation by sign, newspaper, radio or other media without a permit from the planning commission.

Home occupation includes any business, professional or commercial activity for income or profit.

Atty. A.G. Preston, Jr. said the ordinance is an attempt to hold down home occupations without prohibiting them entirely.

Preston noted that real estate operations and beauty shops are popular home occupations. He said that the ordinance

restrictions apply only to advertising, but that other rules may be forthcoming since there are "more and more home occupations throughout the city."

The ordinance is meant to prevent congestion in residential areas that can result from advertising home occupations, Preston explained.

Commissioners also adopted a second ordinance which is intended to control rummage sales. The ordinance states that no rummage, garage, carport or similar sales shall continue for more than three days, and if such sales are advertised by signs, newspapers, radio or other media, they shall not be held unless a permit is first obtained from the city's building inspector.

Preston noted that the average rummage sale will not be affected since it seldom goes beyond three days, but is "intended to hit the fellow who continues for six weeks or more and is actually running a store." He said he received no complaints following the ordinance's first reading last week.

In other action, the commission:

— Adopted an ordinance prohibiting persons from allowing dogs to bark between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. when the noise annoys four or more persons.

— Adopted an ordinance which makes certain that the 1970 edition of the uniform building code is in effect in St. Joseph.

— Approved signing a contract with Speidel Foundation and Marine Contractors, Inc. to install an estimated 2,300 square feet of steel sheeting at a cost of \$10,000 as support for installation of a 12-inch water main to bolster the water flow to the Langley avenue area; the sheeting is needed as support for trenching to put the water main about 12-feet underneath a storm sewer.

— Accepted low bid of \$7,775 by Gersonde Equipment Co. of Benton Harbor for purchase by the city of its first dump truck with an automatic transmission.

— Approved the hiring of about 60 workers for the coming election at a cost of \$1,500, which provides five workers for each precinct and two for absentee voter counting boards.

**HOSPITALIZED**  
**NEW BUFFALO** — Mrs. Walton McCort, South Whitaker street, New Buffalo, is a patient at Walters hospital, Michigan City, Ind.

## Clark Executive Named

David O. Lee has been appointed general sales development manager for the Construction Machinery Division of Clark Equipment Co., Pipestone road, Benton township.

Lee has been with Clark since 1956, most recently as product manager for the division's line of Michigan rubber-tired tractor shovels. He will now be responsible for the development of marketing and training



DAVID O. LEE

materials to support the division's field sales organization in North America. Lee attended LeTourneau college, Longview, Texas.



**HAGAR GRASS FIRE:** Recent rains haven't completely eliminated threat of autumn grass fires as vegetation prepares for winter. This grass fire occurred along I-196 north of Hagar Shore drive Sunday. It

was snuffed out by passersby and the Lake Michigan Beach fire department. It is believed to have started from sparks from a car's wheel drum after a wheel fell off. (Staff photo by Kenneth Rau)

## SJ City-County Contract Dispute Unsettled Library Funds Withheld

The Berrien county library board is withholding \$19,104 in penal fine monies due the St. Joseph library until a contractual issue involving St. Joseph township is straightened out.

This was announced at last night's meeting of the St. Joseph township board when Supervisor Orval Benson read a copy of a letter from Philip A. Hadsell, Jr., president of the Berrien county library board.

Hadsell wrote Taylor the money was being withheld because the St. Joseph library won't provide services to township residents unless they purchase a library card.

Hadsell said the contract between the city board and the county provides for library service at no charge to township residents "in consideration of the payment of the penal fine monies."

Taylor told this newspaper the St. Joseph board will seek

an amendment in the contract with the county to provide for a \$12 a family membership for St. Joseph township residents and permit the city board to retain the penal fines.

The \$12 family membership card was negotiated between the city and the township last summer after a city request for a \$12,974 appropriation was denied by the township.

## BH Trick Or Treat Hours Set

Youngsters in Benton Harbor will go on their annual tricks or treats outing on Halloween night, Tuesday, Oct. 31, but the hours were legislated from 6 to 7:30 p.m. by the city commission.

The commission Monday also asked that householders who give treats to youngsters turn on porch lights between 6 and 7:30. And youngsters are requested to go only to houses where porch lights are on.

Authorities urge adults to accompany younger children and motorists to use caution in spotting the youngsters, whose sight may be curtailed by face masks.

The city charges \$20 a family card to other nonresidents.

The township is a bystander in the current issue between the city and county boards. Benson said township representatives have been invited to a Nov. 8 meeting at Niles where the family membership fee will be discussed.

In other matters last night: The township board advised Joseph Mitchell, St. Joseph, to present his proposal to establish a camper sales outlet in back of a gas station at 2570 Niles avenue, to the planning commission again. A month ago the planning commission had turned down Mitchell's citing poor land use.

Mitchell said he wanted to brief the township board on his proposal. He said he wanted to present a plot plan to the planning commission which he said was felt was not out of character with that corner.

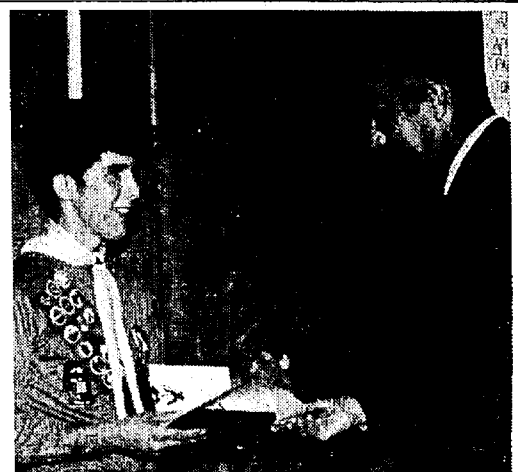
The board accepted the low bid of General Auto Sales, Benton Harbor, to furnish a Dodge Polara police car for \$2,530 and the township's 1971 Oldsmobile. It was the lowest of two bids.

Trustee Carl Reschke announced his township hall planning committee has scheduled a committee

meeting Thursday with architect Wayne Halford on the proposed new structure. The building will be located on township owned property off Washington and Nelson road.

Trustee Edwin Brink,

reading from the September police report, said there were 17 property damage auto accidents, four personal injury accidents and a fatal accident; 56 traffic tickets issued and 153 warnings made.



**EARN EAGLE RANK:** David Wade, 16, of Riverside Boy Scout Troop 68, receives Eagle Scout award, the organization's highest rank, from Thomas Walker, Southwestern Michigan Council Scout executive. David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wade, Route 3, Box 107-B, Benton Harbor.

## 'College Day' Tomorrow At Harbor High

Instead of "College Night" it will be "College Day" tomorrow at Benton Harbor high school.

Thirty-nine colleges and universities will have representatives at the high school between 9 a.m. and noon to give information about admission policies and costs, according to Lawrence Schneider, BHHS guidance director.

Schneider said the traditional night was switched to day to make it easier for students to get information about various colleges.

Parents are invited to attend the program and those who cannot may go to "College Night" Wednesday at St. Joseph high school, Schneider said. Most of the colleges at BHHS will be at St. Joseph in the evening.

Schneider said regular classes will be in session Wednesday morning and only interested students will be dismissed to attend college presentations.

Larger colleges will be assigned classroom space for 40-minute presentations. Smaller schools will be in the gymnasium and library.

Two financial aid officers, Jim Cleveland of Lake Michigan college and Gary Belleville of Western Michigan, will conduct presentations on how to finance a college education.

William Murrain of Western Michigan will describe the Martin Luther King program at WMU.

Other presentations will be on the Lake Michigan college apprenticeship training program and educational opportunities in the armed forces.

## BH Commission Approves 'Police Brutality' Probe

Benton Harbor Mayor Charles Joseph will appoint a committee of city commissioners to investigate verbal charges of police brutality in the arrest last month of Freddie Lee, Jr., 24.

Commissioner Carl Brown called for the investigation, approved last night by the commission. Brown lost, however, in an attempt to include at least one "concerned citizen" on the investigating body. The citizen inclusion was rejected by a 7-2 vote, with support coming only from Brown and Commissioner Charles Yarbrough.

All commissioners voted to launch an investigation, but the majority held it should be done

by commissioners, as elected representatives of the city.

Lee told the commission he was dragged from his car at a service station, although he is paralyzed and his wheelchair was in the trunk of the car. Lee also stated he was dragged into the police station, put into a cell without being allowed to place a phone call, and also that he didn't receive his wheelchair until the next day.

Augustus Dukes, described as head of a group called Urban Youth Coalition, protested the arrest two weeks ago, saying Lee was paralyzed from injuries in Vietnam.

Mayor Joseph said he hopes to appoint a committee to in-

vestigate sometime today. Joseph said two weeks ago he saw Lee carried, not dragged, into the police station.

Lee since the incident appeared in Fifth District court and pleaded guilty to assault and battery, after a police officer was bitten on the hand.

In other business, the commission accepted the resignation from the city canvassing board by George Smith, Sr., and also voted to cite Smith for his service dating back to 1965.

A temporary liquor license was approved for use Friday night at a Citizens for McGovern dinner at the Downtown restaurant

meeting room. The request was received from Jerry Morton, Fourth District Citizens for McGovern committee.

The commission approved a contract to pay \$640 to Joseph Zandstra of Grand Rapids to handle appraisal work in the neighborhood development program.

Also approved were amendments updating 1957 contracts between the Benton Harbor public housing commission and U.S. Housing and Urban Development; and amendments to a 1969 agreement with St. Joseph township, concerning water tap-in costs to the township. It was noted that the township earlier approved the same amendments.

## Teacher Is Not Full-Time Center Staff Member

Information provided to this newspaper erroneously listed Mrs. Vicki Riehl as a full time staff member of Twin Cities Area Child Care center, according to Michele Hartmus, director of the center. The story was published last Thursday.

Mrs. Riehl, who has a master's degree in elementary education, is substitute teaching at the day care center while seeking permanent employment.

## College, Technical Night Wednesday At SJ High

Approximately 40 representatives from colleges, technical schools, nursing centers and the armed forces will be on hand Wednesday for "College and Technical School Night" at St. Joseph High school.

The former "College Night" has been expanded to include representatives of Technical school, St. Joseph High School Principal James Heathcote

has announced.

Parents and students from Berrien Springs, Bridgman, Coloma, Lake Michigan Catholic, Lakeshore, Galien, New Buffalo, River Valley and Watervliet High Schools have been invited to join parents of St. Joseph High school to participate in the program.

The representatives of the various schools will be

present to discuss enrollment procedures, costs, financial aid and job opportunities. In addition the representatives will have a variety of useful printed materials that will provide pertinent information for students, Heathcote said.

The high school students and their parents may attend any or all of three 40-minute sessions which will begin at 7:30 p.m.

## Buchanan Takes Option On High School Site

BUCHANAN — The Buchanan school board has taken an option on 40-50 acre site for possible use for a new high school.

Supt. Richard Dougherty last night announced at a meeting of the school board that an option had been obtained on property on West Fourth street, part of the estate of the late Richard Lytle.

Dougherty, who said the option expires Feb. 23, 1973, was asked by the board to determine if the option might be extended beyond that date. He also was instructed to obtain the

advice of a geologist concerning the suitability of the land for a high school.

Discussion of the board centered on means of raising \$80,000 for the land, located in Buchanan township but bounded on two sides by the city. Four times in the last two years district voters have rejected proposals to increase taxes for a new high school.

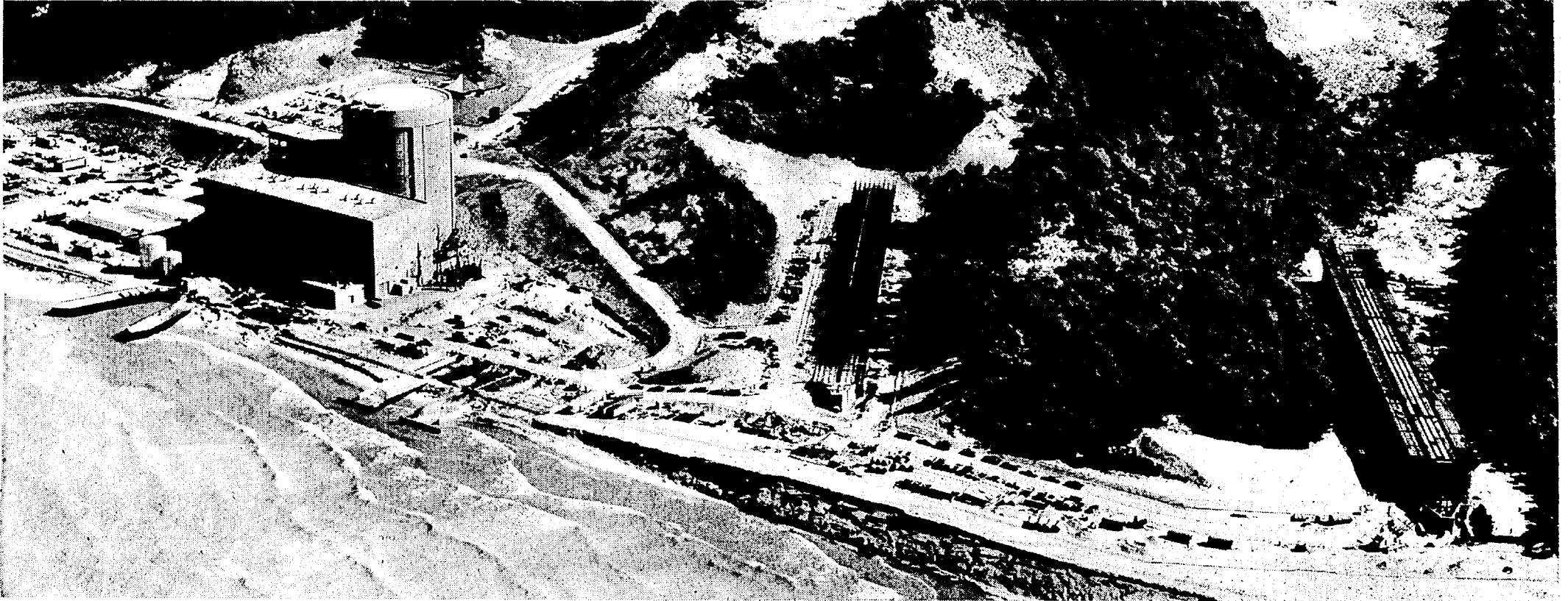
In a related matter, Dougherty was instructed to hire an architect to determine the extent and cost of renovating the 50-year-old central section of the high school.

This followed a report by Asst. Supt. Norman Kreager that the electrical system and certain parts of the structure of the old section need immediate attention. The wiring is overloaded, he said, and windows on the south side are showing dry rot. Less pressing needs suggested by Kreager include the installation of drop ceilings and acoustic tile.

Kreager told the board that the renovation of the heating system in the old section of the high school will be complete by Nov. 1 provided there are no delays in the shipment of materials. The project is being done by the Frank Casselman company of Sturgis for \$57,187.

The contract for another year of fleet insurance, for school buses and other vehicles, was awarded to the Farm Bureau agency in Niles at an annual premium of \$2,671. Though several firms had been contacted, the Niles agency was the only one to submit a bid.

William Fischer, principal at Harold C. Stark school, reported that changes implemented at elementary schools this fall had resulted in an increase in instructional time. Transfer of sixth graders from elementary to the middle school has alleviated some of the crowding in the elementary schools, he added.



CONSUMER COOLING TOWERS: Work continues on the two cooling towers at Consumers Power company's Palisades nuclear plant in Covert township even though staff report to Atomic Energy commission has said they are not required for ecological reasons. The mechanical

draft towers were promised by Consumers as part of an agreement with environmentalists who had blocked Consumers' efforts to get permission to activate the plant. The AEC report said that a cooling system

provided in original plans for the plant has about the same cooling potential as the towers. Consumers, however, already had promised the towers and signed contracts for their construction. They will cost \$30

million, bringing the total cost to about \$170 million. Now operating a 60 per cent of capacity, the plant has been recommended for a full-power license. (Aerial photo by Adolph Hann)

## Candidate Hits High Court Rulings

### Girl's Condition 'Good'

BUCHANAN — Becky Mills, 20, of 109 Chippewa street, Buchanan, was listed in good condition in Holland City hospital this morning from injuries she received Oct. 9 in a horse-riding accident.

Miss Mills, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mills, reportedly was injured when she struck her head against a sign board and fell off the horse she was riding and down a small incline. The accident occurred in Holland while Miss Mills was visiting friends.

She underwent surgery Thursday to repair a fractured hip received in the mishap.

### Open House

NEW BUFFALO — Walter R. Schwarz, New Buffalo area schools superintendent, has announced an open house will be held for parents of pupils Tuesday, Oct. 24. Teachers will be in their classrooms from 7 to 9 p.m. to meet parents.



PLAN TROOPER BENEFIT: Officers of the Niles Policeman's association meet at Franky's restaurant, 1033 Lake street, Niles, to plan the menu for a Steven DeVries benefit dinner, honoring the state police trooper gunned down Thursday after he stopped a car on M-60 bypass near Niles. The dinner will be Tuesday, Oct. 24, from 4 to 8:30 p.m. at Franky's, buffet style. Proceeds will be donated to the family of the slain trooper. Tickets will be available from police departments throughout the area, and at the door. Planning the menu are Mike Frucci, seated left, Joe Frucci, and Bill Mason, association president. Standing are Jerry Johnson, left, vice president, and Tom Dipert, secretary. (Staff photo)

### Oakland Jurist Warns 'Judicial Tyranny'

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Paw Paw Bureau

PAW PAW — Oakland County Circuit Court Judge James S. Thorburn, a state supreme court candidate, was in Paw Paw yesterday, and criticized some high court decisions and the background

and training of some of the court justices.

Too often, he said during an interview, justices who ride their reputations as former governors into the supreme court are not qualified for the job.

"If you want to build a

garage, you call a carpenter, not a plumber," said Judge Thorburn who has been an Oakland county circuit court judge since 1963.

Thorburn, 54, said two decisions which ranked him were those that set some 400 felons - who had been convicted as juveniles - free, and a more recent decision in which the court, in deciding against a Wayne county bonding proposal for a sports stadium, also held up public works construction throughout the state.

Included in the projects affected by that decision, were a \$2.4 million sanitary sewer project in Paw Paw and what has been estimated as another \$100 million in projects across the state.

Referring to the Wayne county bonding case, he said the court made what he termed a "proper" decision, but in another 102 pages of "vindictive language," became involved in "irresponsible conduct" that affected unrelated projects.

He said there have been other



JAMES S. THORBURN  
Campaign swing

cases where the court has not performed its duties, but has instead legislated, and threatens to become a "tyranny of the judiciary."

He also spoke out against state control and financing of the local courts.

Judge Thorburn was on a campaign swing through Michigan and met at the Republican headquarters in Paw Paw with county officials and others.

He is one of nine candidates seeking two, eight-year terms on the state supreme court.

### Watervliet Middle School Still Closed For Boiler Repairs

WATERVLIET — School officials here are hoping that classes can resume tomorrow morning at Watervliet middle school, closed yesterday and today because of boiler repair.

Asst. Supt. Doyle Anderson said the lack of heat had prompted the closing of the school but repairs are expected to be complete by tomorrow.

Anderson said the boiler was shut down after it began to leak. The leak developed as the result of a descaling of the boiler, undertaken on recommendation of a state boiler inspector. Acid used in the descaling ate through rust spots, he said.

## Search Fails To Turn Up Niles Bank Robbery Cash

NILES — The \$38,723 taken from the First National Bank of Southwestern Michigan by an armed robber last Thursday is still missing.

Kenneth E. Oliver, arrested later in connection with the

robbery and the shooting of State Police Trooper Steven DeVries, had only "pocket money" in his possession when taken into custody in a South Bend bar Friday night.

An intensive search over the weekend of the area in which

the getaway car in the case was abandoned produced nothing. The search, organized by the FBI, utilized dogs and officers from area police agencies. Both banks of the St. Joseph river in the area of the old Bertrand township dump were

searched. The bank robber, who used a teller arriving for work as a hostage to force his way into the west side branch of the First National bank before opening time Thursday morning, escaped with the money

in a brown plastic garbage bag. The money was in denominations of \$1 to \$100.

Robert Whately, bank auditor, estimated this morning that the money taken "would probably fit into two

shoe boxes." He said it may have weighed from five to ten pounds.

Oliver, 32, of Detroit, charged with murder and committing murder while in perpetration of a robbery by state authorities

and with bank robbery and committing murder during perpetration of a bank robbery by federal authorities is being held in the Berrien county jail. Investigators have said Oliver is reported to have a

bachelor's degree and is reportedly working toward a master's degree. They also said he reportedly operates a retail business in Detroit, selling among other articles, burglar alarm systems.